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TO VISIT NORTHFIELD  
DURING THIS SUMMER

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## The 1940 Tax Rate Has Been Fixed By Our Assessors In Last Session \$34.00 Per Thousand On Valuations

The tax rate for the town of Northfield for this year will be \$34 per \$1000 as decided by our assessors this week. The rate represents a three dollar saving or lowering of the rate from that of last year which was \$37. Property owners will thoroughly appreciate this economy, as rumors were rife and insistent that the rate would show an increase. All property assessments have been carefully checked by the assessors, by personal visits and study and they have accomplished a painstaking service to the community. Northfield thus falls in line with most of the towns in the county, which have reported decreased rates, and with the great majority of cities and towns in the state, to the number of over 170, which show decreases.

Of the 264 communities which have thus far declared their rates for this year, only 68 have boosted their levy above the 1939 figure, while 30 have decided to continue the 1939 rate through 1940.

State economy, resulting in a lower state tax on cities and towns and drastic municipal savings are major factors in the general lowering of the rates throughout the state, Henry F. Long, State Tax Commissioner explains.

This week Hawley reports a tax rate of \$35 which is \$3 more than last year. Wendell cuts its rate of \$40 for last year to \$25 for this year. The rates of other towns which have reported, have already been announced in the Press and when the list is completed a summary will be printed.

The booklet of complete valuations, issued by the assessors every three years will be finished and ready for distribution to property owners sometime during the late summer.

Tax Collector Charles F. Slate will send out the tax bills as soon as they can be prepared.

### Krause-Thompson

A wedding of interest to many friends in Northfield, took place in the Universalist Memorial church at Winchester, last Saturday afternoon when Miss Evelyn Jennings Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander P. Thompson, and James Garfield Krause, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Krause of this town, were united in marriage by Rev. George Truman Carl of Chicago, a former pastor in Winchester.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by Miss Barbara Monroe, maid of honor and Miss Vera Horner of Keene and Miss Beryl Thompson, cousin of the bride, bridesmaids. The ushers were Walton Thompson, brother of the bride, and Fred C. Stearns, Jr. Margaret Carl was flower girl and David Carl acted as ring bearer. Following the ceremony a reception was given in the vestry of the South church. The young couple left for a wedding trip by motor, through the White Mountains and upon their return will make their home in Winchester, where Mr. Krause is employed.

### County C. E. Picnic

Members of the various Christian Endeavor societies of Franklin county churches will hold a picnic on Mt. Sugarloaf, at South Deerfield on Monday, July 15th at 6:30 o'clock when supper will be served. A meeting will be held after the supper in the mountain house.

### Pleasure Route 8 Has Distinctive Signs

Some weeks ago, in the Press, we stated that Route 2 would be known as Pleasure route 8, but the statement similarly made in other papers was soon corrected because of error. Pleasure route 8 will avoid Route 2, and thus the tourist will not pass thru the cities and crowded areas, but through the wide countryside, using portions of other already chartered trails. Signs are being placed along the various highways and visitors by auto will easily find their way. "P-8" will run from Lexington to North Adams, east to west, as follows: Route 2-A, Lexington to route 62, Concord; thence thru Maynard and Stowe to Bolton; thence over a local road to route 62 at Clinton; thence thru Sterling and Princeton to Hubbardston; thence over route 68 and local roads to route 122 in Barre; thence over route 122 thru Petersham to U. S. route 202 in New Salem; then over 202 thru Shutesbury to Pelham; thence over local roads to route 9 and 116 in Amherst; thence over route 116 thru Sunderland, Deerfield, Conway, Ashfield, Plainfield, Savoy, and Cheshire to Adams; thence over route 8 to North Adams.

### Returning To India

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Webber, who have occupied one of the Northfield schools missionary houses on Main street, for the past year, left last weekend for a return trip to their work and home in India, where Mr. Webber is a secretary of the YMCA. They went to Ohio first, by motor, to visit friends and then go on to San Francisco to take passage aboard a steamship via the Pacific and South seas for India, via the Straits settlement. The ship leaves America on July 13. Their youngest son, Gordon, will accompany them. Three other children will remain in this country to study, a daughter here at the seminary, another daughter in California and a son in Boston.

### State Given Park

A gift of 400 acres of land on Mount Holyoke has been made to the state and accepted, by Joseph A. Skinner of Holyoke, to be known as the Joseph Allen Skinner State Park. There are several structures on the property, including the mountain house, and the total value is given as \$75,000. The gift also includes the half way house and the cable car. The state had been hoping to purchase this property for some time but now it is given outright as a gift. Another reservation will now be added to those already existing in this section of the commonwealth, and residents, especially motorists will have another interesting place to visit and picnic.

### Busy In Church Work

The many friends of Prof. Spurgeon Gage will be interested in knowing that he will occupy the pulpit of the Delaney Street Baptist church in Orlando, Fla., during the four Sundays of July, both morning and evening. He will have charge of the Wednesday evening prayer meeting and also teach the men's large Bible class, the regular pastor being absent during July on his vacation.

### Berkshire Festival Opens Music Program Thursday, August 1

An advance ticket sale assures a capacity audience for the series of concerts to be given at Tanglewood, at Stockbridge, by the Boston Symphony orchestra, during the three first weeks in August. Several from this town, including some of our summer visitors, are planning to enjoy portions of the series.

In the first series of concerts, Grego Piatigorsky, eminent cellist, will be soloist in Strauss' "Don Quixote." Jesus Marie Sanroma will be soloist Aug. 4 in Stravinsky's Capriccio for piano and orchestra.

In the second series opening Aug. 8 Albert Spaulding will be the soloist for Beethoven's concerto for violin.

The third series will open Aug. 15 with a performance of Bach's Mass in B Minor. This performance, starting at 7 p. m. will be in two parts. Soloists will be Elisabeth Schumann, soprano; Viola Silva, mezzo-soprano; William Hain, tenor, and Alexander Kipnis, bass. The Berkshire Festival chorus will make its initial appearance with the orchestra.

Dorothy Maynor, talented Negro soprano, will appear on the program Aug. 17, as soloist in the Mozart Concert Aria and Beethoven's "Adelaide."

The completed program is as follows:

First series—Thursday, Aug. 1, 8:30 p. m., Beethoven, Symphony No. 1 in C major, Op. 21; Schumann, Symphony No. 1 in B flat, Op. 38; Sibelius, Symphony No. 1, in E minor, Op. 39.

Saturday, Aug. 3, 8:30 p. m. Berlioz, Overture to "Benvenuto Cellini"; Strauss, "Don Quixote"; Grego Piatigorsky, cello soloist; Harris, Symphony No. 3; Debussy, "Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun"; Ravel, orchestral excerpts from "Daphnis and Chloe."

Sunday, Aug. 4, 3:30 p. m. Mozart, Symphony in E flat, No. 3, (K. 543); Stravinsky, Capriccio for Orchestra, with piano solo, soloist, Jesus Maria Sanroma; Brahms, Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 73.

Second series—Thursday, Aug. 8, 8:30 p. m. Beethoven, Overture to Goethe's "Egmont," Op. 84; Beethoven, Concerto for Violin in D, Op. 61; Tchaikowsky, Symphony No. 6 in B minor, "Pathétique," Op. 74.

Saturday, Aug. 10, 8:30 p. m. Beethoven, Overture, "Coriolanus," Op. 62; Beethoven, Symphony No. 4 in B flat major, Op. 60; Tchaikowsky, Symphony No. 4 in F minor, Op. 36.

Sunday, Aug. 11, 3:30 p. m. Beethoven, Symphony No. 6 in F major, Op. 68; Tchaikowsky, Symphony No. 5 in E minor, Op. 64.

Third series—Thursday, Aug. 15, 7 p. m. and 9:30 p. m., Bach Mass in B minor.

Saturday, Aug. 17, 8:30 p. m. Prokofiev, "Classical" Symphony, Op. 25; Hindemith, Symphony, "Mathis der Maler"; Mozart, Concerto Aria, and Beethoven, "Adelaide," with Dorothy Maynor, soprano as soloist; Faure, "Pelléas et Melisande"; Respighi, Symphonic poem, "The Pines of Rome."

Sunday, Aug. 18, 3:30 p. m. Haydn, Symphony in G major, No. 88; Sibelius, Symphony No. 7, Op. 105; Brahms, Symphony No. 1 in C minor, Op. 68.

### 1940 Farm-Home Week

Massachusetts State College will hold its 22nd annual Farm and Home Week July 22 through July 26, Earle S. Carpenter, secretary of the Massachusetts Extension Service states.

Farm and Home Week usually attracts an audience of more than 3000 people from every county in the state. Its purpose is to bring the latest developments in agriculture and home making to the people of Massachusetts and to provide an opportunity for farmers and homemakers to talk over their problems with recognized specialists on the college staff and from other scientific and educational institutions throughout the North-east.

Special educational programs have been arranged for dairymen, fruit growers, poultrymen, market gardeners, beekeepers, goat breeders, livestock men, feed dealers, home gardeners, lawn owners, rural church leaders, homemakers and community recreational leaders. Many from Northfield are expected to attend.

Members of the State Grange, the Parent-Teachers Association, and the Associated Women of the Farm Bureau will also journey to Amherst during Farm and Home week to attend the special sessions of their organizations.

### Rehearsals Have Begun For Music Festival On Sunday, Aug. 11

Rehearsals for the Northfield Festival of Music to be held here on Sunday, Aug. 11, under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson began this week. Marvin E. Reeher who successfully directed the festival rehearsals for the past two years has returned to Northfield from Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

The schedule of rehearsals began Monday with that of the Athol-Greenfield singing group held in the Athol at 7:30 is as follows: Mondays at 7:30, Athol-Greenfield group (the rehearsal will be held in Greenfield next week); Tuesdays at 8, Springfield group at the First Church of Christ; Wednesdays at 7:30, Pittsfield group at the First Baptist church; Thursdays at 8, Northfield group at Music Hall; and Fridays at 8, Northampton-Holyoke singers at the First church in Northampton.

Small choirs and music groups from towns more than 100 miles from here have asked to participate in the festival. Groups from New Haven, Boston and Saratoga Springs will join the singers trained by Mr. Reeher for the final rehearsal and concert on Aug. 11. Anyone who is interested in the furtherance of good church music is invited to participate in the festival and to attend the rehearsals in the town nearest him.

The festival will be broadcast over a national hook-up it is expected. The first Northfield rehearsal will be held on Thursday, July 11 at Music Hall.

### Conference Music

Music at the 1940 General conference will be in charge of Eugene P. Morgan of New York and a group of girls and boys from The Northfield Schools, directed by Melvin L. Gallagher, will sing at many of the meetings. As in the past, the summer school of the Westminster Choir college will give two evening concerts, assist in the Music Festival, and present several half hours of instrumental and vocal music in Russell Sage chapel.

### The Coming Auction

Townpeople who have articles to contribute or to sell on a commission basis at the community auction July 11 are requested to bring them to the south basement door of the town hall at any time on Wednesday, July 10. Mrs. A. Gordon Moody, Miss Mary Dalton and Miss Anne Mattoon will be on hand to receive the goods. A variety of articles have already been contributed. Won't you look over your surplus furnishings and send down something to sell for the benefit of the local Health Council.

### Peabody-Witherell

The marriage of Miss Ollie L. Witherell of Bernardston to Alvin L. Peabody of Mount Hermon took place Monday afternoon in the Goodale Memorial church at Bernardston with Rev. A. L. Truesdell officiating. Only the immediate families were present. The couple were attended by Miss Ruth Witherell, sister of the bride, as bridesmaid and Albert Newton, as best man. The bride has been a student at Northfield seminary and the bridegroom is an engineer at Mt. Hermon school. The couple will live at the bride's home for the present.

### Will Locate In Florida

Mrs. Lester A. Polhemus and her young son, Roger, left last Monday, for Florida, where they will make their future home, located in Miami. Having sold her home on Highland avenue and disposed of all her furniture and furnishings, she plans to secure a furnished apartment in the southern city and later purchase a residence. She will look forward to greeting many friends from Northfield when they return to Florida next fall to spend the winter season there.

### Buys Summer Home

Richard A. Watson of East Haven, Ct., has purchased "Bungalow" one of the summer cottages on Winchester road from Mrs. Grace C. Cornell and will use the same during this season. Mr. Watson was formerly of the faculty of Mt. Hermon school and was retired about three years ago. His many friends will be glad to give him a cordial welcome on his coming to Northfield if only for the summer months.

### Missionary Conference To Enlist The Interest Of Many Church Workers

The Northfield Missionary conference will convene on the seminary campus from July 8-16. The conference is of a dual nature with separate classes for women and girls. A feature of this session is the denominational camp idea.

The Missionary study subjects scheduled for this session are "China" and "Shifting Populations." These themes will be developed at the conference by Dr. Mark A. Dawber of the Home Missionary council; Dr. Anne Seesholtz, who has recently returned from the Orient; and Mrs. Welthy H. Fisher, outstanding authority on Japan and China. There will be a laboratory school for the younger delegates.

Included among the 1940 speakers and leaders are Dr. Emily Werner; Rev. Ruth Conant; Dr. Caroline Palmer; Miss Rachel Benfer; Mrs. Charles H. Lewis; Miss Alice Murdock; Miss Hazel V. Orton; Miss Ann Elizabeth Taylor; and Miss Marie Whiffen. Dr. Paul Harrison will teach one of the Girls' Bible classes and Dr. Conrad Hoffman will speak on the refugee problem. Mrs. Howard Moulton and Mrs. Alva Mullins will have classes in program building.

Dr. Abdel Ross Wentz, president elect of the Lutheran Theological seminary in Gettysburg, Pa., will give two addresses on the World Church, conduct two discussion groups and preach in the Auditorium on Sunday, July 14.

### Next Sunday Service Is At Sage Chapel

The speaker at both services in Sage chapel on Sunday will be Dr. James T. Cleland of Amherst. No conference will be in session on the seminary campus at that particular time since the Christian Endeavor session closes on Saturday and the Women's Missionary conference does not begin until Monday, July 8. Services will be at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

### A Camp "At Home"

Virginia Camp extends a cordial welcome to the people of Northfield and the guests at the conferences to an "at home" on Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:00. Cars will be in front of the auditorium to take those who care to ride. Other "at homes" will be on July 24th and Aug. 14. Keep these dates and show your interest in the camp which is doing so much to help under privileged children.

### W. C. T. U. Meet

The WCTU will meet Wednesday, July 10 at 3 o'clock with Mrs. L. H. Lazelle at her home on Glenwood avenue. A short business session will be conducted, followed by a social time and a picnic supper at six. Each member will bring lunch for herself and husband or friend, who are invited. We hope for a full attendance.

### PEACE

There is a Peace that cometh after sorrow,  
Of hope surrendered, not of hope fulfilled;  
A peace that looketh not upon tomorrow,  
But calmly on a tempest that is stilled.  
A peace which lives not now in joy's excesses,  
Nor in the happy life of love secure;  
But in the unerring strength the heart possesses  
Of conflicts won while learning to endure.  
A peace there is in sacrifice secured;  
A life subdued, from will and passion free.  
'Tis not the peace which over Eden brooded,  
But that which triumphed in Gethsemane.  
—Jessie Rose Gates

### UNSAFE at HOME



## ITS WILKIE AND McNARY G. O. P. PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS HERE WELL PLEASED

### Call To Conference Issued By Dr. Moody

Dr. Paul D. Moody, a son of Dwight L. Moody, and chairman of the committee in charge of the General conference has issued his call for the gathering and in it he says: "Where there is no vision the people perish." They are perishing by the million in Europe because mankind has lost too largely the sense of invisible things—honor, justice, decency—things which stem from a belief in God, the Invisible King. There never was a time when the emphasis needed more to be placed on the things of the spirit and when a reverent careful and fearless study of Jesus Christ as the revelation of God was so needed. In this belief, the conference at Northfield is called again that we may devote our thought to the Kingdom of God and renew our allegiance and consecrate ourselves to those things for which Christ died.

### A New Conference Meets At Mt. Hermon

New to the Northfield program, the YWCA Business Girls' conference will register at Mount Hermon on Saturday of this week. The attendance is limited to girls who are members of Business and Professional Women's clubs and the conference executive is Miss Katherine H. Barbour of New York.

Among the leaders announced by Miss Barbour are Miss Helen Keith of Schenectady, N. Y. who is chairman of the conference; Mrs. Alison Curie, interpreter for the foreign division; and Miss Ethel Miller, eastern field representative of the YWCA.

### Aids Dental Work

The townspeople may well be pleased with the opportunities given the children of the town in the matter of dental hygiene and treatment through the facilities of the Northfield Health Council.

One of the projects this year has been to promote dental work the need of which has been stressed by the Mass. Dental Society. Through the Health Council about 20 children have had their teeth cared for which probably would not have been done otherwise. There were 123 operations with about \$80 being spent in doing this work.

The plans as outlined by the State society have been carried out here through efforts of the Public Health Nurse. The funds of the council are being replenished through the community auction which is to be held July 11 on the town hall grounds.

### They Get Certificates

Because they completed a course in firemen's training, given as a part of the vocational teaching of the division of the state department of education, several members of the Northfield fire department were given certificates at the closing session of the school last week. Those to receive the merited awards were Chief Verne C. Ware; assistant chief, James Dale; Lieut. Willis K. Parker and Lieut. Edward Bolton. Surely our fire department in Northfield, ought to be in competent hands.

### Virginia Camp Appeal

Because money is not so plentiful this year for local charities, owing to the demands for assistance abroad, the three closing parties at Virginia camp, will be meagrely provided for, unless local interest can be aroused. These parties will be Saturday, July 13, Wednesday, July 31 and Monday, Aug. 19. If anyone is willing to assist Miss Harper in her problem of these affairs, want you please advise her by telephone. Arrangements will be made to call for any contributions. Cake, cookies, candy, sandwiches are needed as well as other things girls like. Do help.

### Ridge Property Sold

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Stone of Chapman, Kansas, formerly located here, have recently acquired a summer home in Chipita Park, Colorado. Two years ago they spent the summer here renewing acquaintances with many friends. They owned a house and land on Rustic Ridge, "Pine Lodge" on North Lane, which was sold last week to a Mr. Atkins of New Jersey, who purchases it for summer occupancy.

The selection of Wilkie and McNary as the standard bearers of the Republican party in the Presidential race is entirely pleasing to members of that party in Northfield. Members of the local Republican town committee who in the early days of the campaign



were favorable to either Taft or Dewey, changed to the Wilkie boom as the best possible effort to bring success to the party in the election of its candidates this fall.

Now that the candidates have been chosen by the Republican National convention in Philadelphia, all GOP members will rally to the endeavor to elect the Republican candidates. Wendell Wilkie is a successful executive and business man and his selection is meeting with accord by Republicans everywhere and even members of the Democratic party who recognize his ability.

The Northfield Republican town committee will shortly have a meeting to consider and formulate plans in the conduct of the campaign here, although it is very certain that he will be given a large vote by our citizens. Some information as to Mr. Wilkie is here given:

Height: 6 feet, 2 inches.  
Born: Elwood, Indiana, February 18, 1892.  
Graduated Indiana University, 1913; Law School 1916.  
Taught history at Coffeyville High School, Coffeyville, Kansas.

Enlisted in the army during the U. S. declared war; served in the 325th Field Artillery; in France for 10 months.  
Married Edith Wilk of Rushville, Indiana, January 14, 1918.

Was offered a chance to run for Congress, but instead he moved to Akron, Ohio, in 1919; became a member of a law firm; fought Ku Klux Klan; twice Commander of Summit Post No. 19, American Legion.

Invited to New York as counsel of Commonwealth and Southern; became its president in 1933.

Converted Commonwealth's loss to a profit; now has lowest cost and highest average use of electricity of any private utility operator.  
Mr. Wilkie is a dynamo. He writes fluently, is a student of American history; a book-reviewer of distinction. His ambition has been to achieve independence. He talks back to Wall Street as well as to the New Deal. When the TVA invaded Commonwealth's Tennessee property he carried his case to the people, forced the New Deal to buy it at a fair price.

### Poet Will Give Readings At Hostel

Wade Van Dore, formerly of Southfield, and now living here at the Youth Hostel headquarters, where he will be engaged in publicity work, will give readings from his poems at 8 o'clock this Saturday evening at the local hostel. Besides the hostellers and the office staff, residents of this town are cordially invited to be present.

Much of Mr. Van Dore's poetry has been inspired by his experiences in camping and traveling.

### Franklin County Fair

All preliminary arrangements are being made by the officers and trustees of the Franklin County Agricultural society for the holding of the 91st annual Franklin County fair in Greenfield on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 9, 10, 11. All buildings are being put into good condition and much of the grounds are being improved. President Fred B. Dole announces that there will be a pre-fair ticket sale, with E. E. Rankin in charge. Admission to the fair will be the same as in former years and sufficient parking places will be provided. It is the hope of the officials that the fair this year will be the best ever.

### Will Give Supper

Always a welcome event, is the annual supper of the Unitarians, which will be held this season on Thursday afternoon and evening, July 25, on the lawn at the home of Mrs. J. V. McNeil on Maple street. Further announcement will be made in this paper later.

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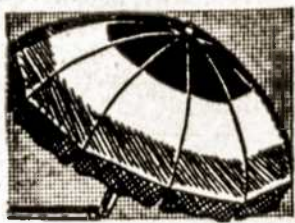
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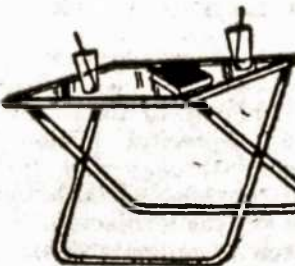


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## Farm Engineering Course Offered to Youths Here

National Foundation Announces Free Scholarships Are Now Available

At least ten free scholarships for the study of farm management and engineering will be awarded to farm youths in this vicinity, according to word received here today by (name of dealer).

The scholarships, available to young men between the ages of 18 and 25 who are actually engaged in farm work, will consist of home study course, together with practical training and experience under local farm conditions. They are provided by the National Farm Youth Foundation, which has been created by the Ferguson-Sherman Manufacturing Corporation of Dearborn, Michigan, with the active co-operation of Henry Ford and Edsel Ford.

"Young men of the farm have not realized their opportunities on the home soil," said Henry Ford in announcing his participation in the Foundation. "As a result, many of them have left the farm."

"The family system of farming has suffered and we want to see it re-built. As a matter of fact, the Foundation seeks to help the young man of the farm to realize his aspirations for happiness and prosperity."

"I am told that eighty per cent of the graduates of agricultural colleges have been going to the towns and cities for their careers instead of returning to the farm. The remaining 20 per cent are not enough to give the farm the needed leadership in agricultural progress."

"Better farming methods today will mean better farms tomorrow and rural youth will be more inclined to stay close to the soil."

Young men enrolled under these scholarships also will compete for salaried jobs with the sponsoring company and its distributors. One student will be selected from this section to work at the factory for a year at a salary of \$150 a month. He will be given specialized training in the use, application and the maintenance of the tractor and its equipment. Second award in this general area is a job with the distributor at \$125 a month. Additional students will be placed in jobs as quickly as possible, with the eventual aim of giving them training and experience which they may bring to bear on future problems in their own community.

Success for local young men in

the home field is the goal of the Foundation," says (name of dealer). Farm youths in the past have looked for opportunity elsewhere. Many



could not finance a college education. Others found funds lacking to set up in farming for themselves.

"Even those who have gone to college have not found in local fields the opportunity they sought," he added. "Most of these boys wind up in towns and cities. If this movement can be halted the community will benefit by the training and education its own young men are receiving and will receive in the future."

Announcement of the scholarships was accompanied by the explanation that the Foundation does not conflict nor compete with the splendid work being done by the 4-H Clubs and the Smith-Hughes vocational agriculture high schools. Through its higher age limit it affords opportunity for study and advancement to farm youths who have already passed the age at which the activities of the organizations mentioned are available.

Young men, to be eligible for scholarships, must be between the ages already given, and must be American citizens, of good character, and actually work on a farm. Young men wishing to apply for enrollment or to secure more detailed information about the scholarships may do so by getting in touch with (name of dealer).

## TOWN TOPICS

Gloria and Patricia Savcheff have returned from attendance at the camp of the Youth Temperance Council at Dunstable, having been sent by the county Union of the WCTU. The camp is for the study of sports and temperance questions, as well as for recreation.

The many friends of Miss Winifred Drake, formerly in the publicity department of the Hotel headquarters, and of Bermuda, will be interested to learn that she has announced her engagement to A. E. Sayre of Westtown, N. Y. Both are graduates of Cornell college. They will be married Aug. 31.

Clarence M. Steadler, a former resident of this town, now residing at Dalton, was in town last week, looking after his property on Winchester road, which is now available for rental or for sale.

Mrs. Maude N. Voris of Jamaica N. Y. arrived in town last Saturday to open her home on Myrtle street for the summer season.

The heavy downpour and high wind of last Thursday, badly washed the hillside roads, and broke off the limbs of trees. Electricity was off for a short time owing to damage to wires.

The Girl Scout committee will hold a food sale on the Colton lawn on Main street this Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Punch, candy, cake and food will be sold. The Girl Scouts will assist.

President Paul D. Modoy of Middlebury college, greeted over 450 students from every state in the Union, in attendance at the opening of the summer school of languages in Mead chapel on Sunday, at Middlebury.

Attorney General Paul A. Dever has announced that he will be a candidate for Governor of this state on the Democratic ticket this fall.

Failure to stop at the intersection of routes 5 and 10 in Bernardsville, last Saturday caused Elsie Sivency of Hamden, Ct., to strike a car of James Anderson of New York which did stop. She suffered considerable bruises and was taken to the hospital, and in district court, also paid a fine of \$20 for dangerous driving.

A former teacher of French at Mount Hermon school, Richard D. Merian, 33, was killed last Monday morning in an automobile accident at Wayne, Maine, when he failed to make a curve on speed. He was a native of Switzerland, a Harvard graduate with a masters degree and taught at Hermon, a few years only beginning in 1934.

Edward M. Powell who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt, with his family, has returned to his work at Lewiston, Me., with Bates college.

The young ladies who are employed on the conference staff this season on the seminary campus, are domiciled at Revell hall.

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Mrs. F. R. Schell of New York City has arrived in Northfield to spend the summer at the hotel. With her late husband, they were the owners and occupants of the Chateau for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Benney, who have occupied the Steadler home on Winchester road, are now occupying the former Moody house on Birnam road. Members of their immediate family are making their home with them.

A trio of musicians, composed of the Misses Donavon, Churchill and Macomber are at the Northfield hotel for the summer months. Concerts are given evenings in the parlors of the hotel.

A very fine map has been issued by the State Department of Public Works of the condition of roads throughout the state as of July first. It is a copy well worth having and may be obtained upon request by writing the department at 100 Nashua street, Boston.

Northfield Grange will have a meeting Tuesday evening. It will be the Lecturers night. This Friday evening the Grange will neighbor with Broad Brook Grange at Guilford.

## West Northfield and South Vernon

George Bliss's mother from Northampton is assisting at Mr. and Mrs. Bliss's home.

Miss Grace Tenney reported at the Loyal Workers meeting Sunday evening on a trip she and her mother, Mrs. C. S. Tenney, took the previous Sunday to the General Advent Christian conference at Alton Bay, N. H.

Miss Esther Johnson of East Northfield and Amherst is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Julia Ennis.

Mrs. Verne Capen underwent an operation for appendicitis, Sunday morning, at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital.

Rev. Dr. F. L. Piper is ill in the Huggins Memorial hospital, Wolfboro, N. H.

Mrs. Warren Dunklee is attending the housemaker's gathering at Green Mountain camp, Dummerston, Vt.

Samuel Patterson has bought the old Vernon depot and will soon raze it.

Gifts for the India box may be left at the parsonage.

Miss Alma Dunklee has returned from Burlington, Vt., where she went for 4-H state week.

Mrs. Clinton Emery attended the 25th reunion of her class at Northampton high school recently.

Pictures of Dr. Grenfell's mission in Labrador were shown at the meeting of Vernon Grange last week. There was also a puppet show. A large number of children attended the program after which the first and second degrees were conferred on three candidates.

Mrs. Robert Rogers is ill at her home, Candace and Robert Rogers are visiting their grandmother on Florida mountain.

Nancy Barnes of Orange is having a vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes.

Miss Gertrude Munoy is helping to care for her grandfather in Pownal, Vt.

South Vernon church, Rev. Dr. B. F. White, pastor: Morning worship at 10:30, followed by communion. Subject, Covenant and Sacrament. Sunday school at 11:45. Loyal Workers at 6:30, leader, Courtland Dunklee. Evening service at 7:30, subject, The Way of Holiness. Prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Thursday at the Home. Subject, Christianity's Fullness in Christ.

Miss Merna Darby of Uncasville Ct., spent last week at the home of her uncle, Ralph Holton while Joseph and Clinton Holton were guests of their aunt in Uncasville.

Mrs. Frank Holton has been entertaining her sister, Mrs. May Lambson of Huntington.

Louise Tyler, granddaughter of Mrs. G. E. Tyler of South Vernon graduated last week from the high school in Cortland, N. Y. Her father, Percy Tyler, was a recent guest of his mother here making the trip as far as Westfield by airplane.

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I shall have left them for a larger home!  
What though the rafters break, the stanchions rot,  
When earth has dwindled to a glimmering spot,  
When thou, clay cottage, faltest, I'll immerse  
My long-cramped spirit in the universe.  
Through uncomputed silences of space  
I shall yearn upward to the leaning Face,  
The ancient heavens will roll aside for me,  
As Moses monarch'd the dividing sea.  
This body is my house—it is not I; Triumphant in this faith I live and die.  
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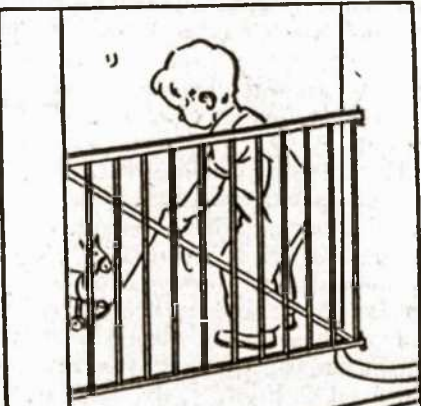
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## TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. Charles Wright and daughter Shirley of Maplewood, N. J. have arrived at their cottage "Sunnyshadow" on the Ridge to spend the summer. They have as guests, members of their immediate family.

Rev. and Mrs. William E. Park of Buffalo are at the hotel this week. Mr. Park is the new president of the Northfield schools and with Mrs. Park are busy in getting their new home on Main street in readiness for occupancy about Sept. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loos and family of Princeton are spending their vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ambert G. Moody at their home on Highland Ave.

Mrs. Elliot Speer, who is now associated with the Simsbury school for girls, was in attendance at the recent Girls conference here, accompanied by a delegation from the school. Mrs. Speer greeted many friends here and at Mount Hermon during her stay. Her eldest daughter will enter Vassar college in the fall.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Watson of Jamaica, N. Y. have returned to their cottage on Linden Ave. for the summer.

Many visitors are attracted to the hay fields, especially on the lands of the Seminary, where large forces of men are busily engaged in gathering a fine harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taber of Birnam road are spending a short vacation by enjoying a motor trip about the White Mountains.

George Lombard of Winchester road was taken to the Farren Memorial Hospital last week end for an appendicitis operation. He is seriously ill but showing improvement. Dr. Wright has charge of the case.

Miss Betty Hager of Clinton, Miss Betty Evans and Miss Eleanor Voorhies, of Windsor, Ct., all graduates of the Yale school of nursing are on a visit with Mrs. William Voorhies at her cottage on Rustic Ridge. Miss Eleanor is her granddaughter.

The young man, who borrowed his neighbor's car, for a short trip and instead enjoyed several days riding about with it, returned home Sunday night after leaving the car at New Haven. No complaints were filed although the radio announced a missing boy.

Townpeople are invited to attend a lecture in Recitation hall at Mount Hermon on Friday morning at 10:30 by Prof. Lloyd P. Rice of Dartmouth. Dr. Rice will speak before the members of the Mount Hermon Alumni institute on "The Far Eastern Policy of the United States."

Miss Charlotte Owers, well known in Youth Hostel circles and connected with the hostel school at Meredith, N. H. was married Saturday the 22nd at Meredith to Elmer Hansen of Athol, who is the manual training teacher in the high school of that town.

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Several of our citizens saw the flotilla of canoes go down the river last Friday. In the group were seven young ladies of Springfield who started their journey at Hanover, N. H. It was an interesting sight.

Several airplanes passing over this town last Saturday were part of a large number who started at Westfield at the Barnes airport for a tour of New England.

Miss Helen Conley of the Youth Hostel left this week to attend a summer school at Cornell college.

Mrs. Margaret Dunham of Seattle has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Marian Dunham to David C. Elkington of Moylan, Pa. Both are with the AYH staff at headquarters in this town. The marriage will take place in September.

Several from this town attended the Fourth of July celebration at Athol and witnessed the midjet auto races.

Miss Mabel Darrah, alumnae secretary of the seminary, with office in Kenard, will take her vacation during the month of August, when she expects to make a visit to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Miss Margaret Carne, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Carne, is making a rapid recovery after an appendicitis operation at the hospital last week.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mark of Saxtons River, Vt. at the Rockingham hospital in Belows Falls, Vt. on Friday, June 28. Mrs. Mark is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Holton of South Vernon, and the young child is a great granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Labelle of this town, and of Mrs. C. I. Holton of South Vernon.

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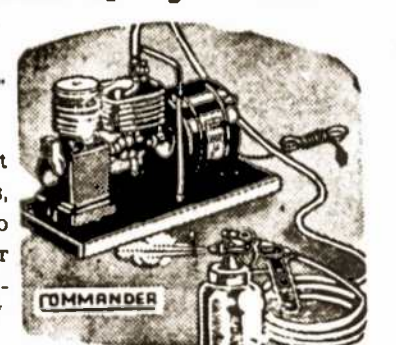
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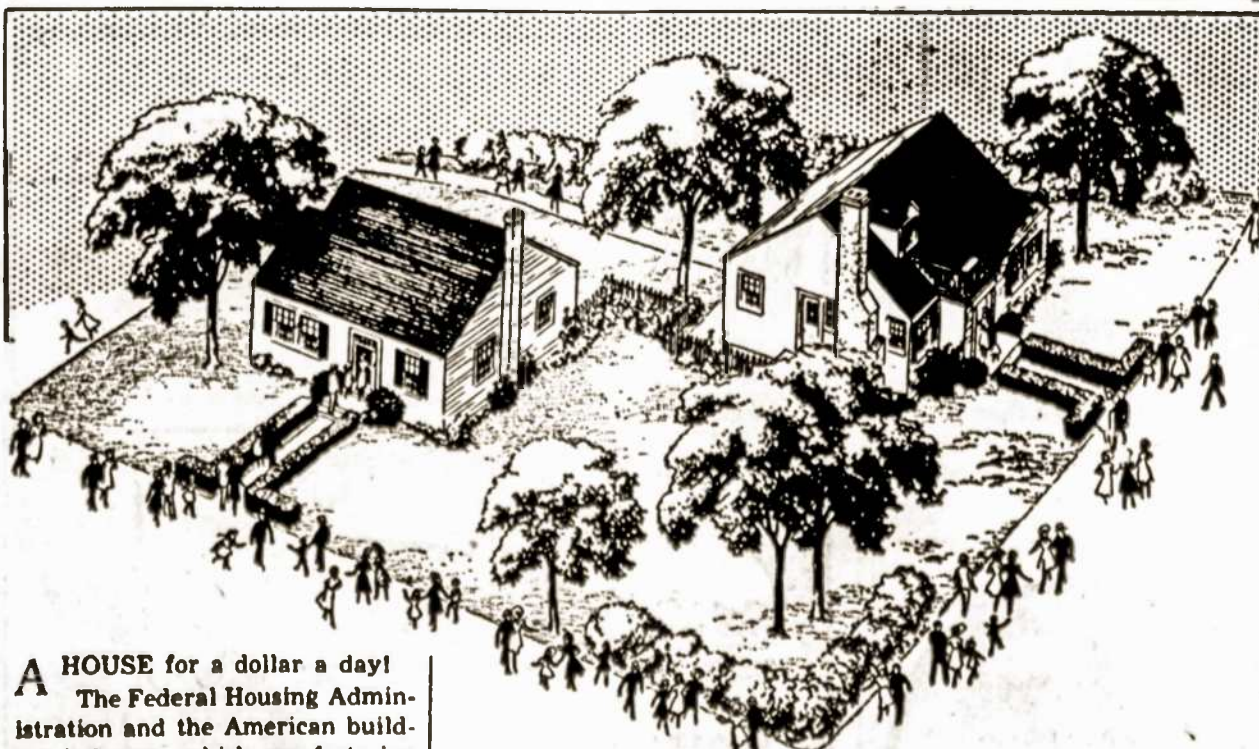
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slightly larger house on the right  
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low cost, the houses have been  
constructed with the best of modern  
building materials. The sides  
of one house have been covered  
with asbestos-cement siding—the  
other with painted wood clap-  
boards, while both houses have  
been roofed with fire-resistant  
and colorful asphalt shingles. Both  
have employed full-thick mineral  
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## EDITORIAL

### Conference Calendar

#### SUMMER SEASON—1940

June 29 - July 6  
Mount Hermon Alumni Institute.

June 29 - July 6  
Mass. C. E. Conference

July 6 - 13  
Y.W.C.A. Girls' Conference

July 8 - 16  
Northfield Missionary Conference.

July 13 - 20  
United Presbyterian Conference.

July 16 - 27  
Religious Education Conference.

July 22 - Aug. 12  
Westminster Choir College

July 27 - Aug. 12  
General Conference

August 12  
Northfield Festival of Sacred Music.

### The Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olson

Well folks, I picked a handful of ripe strawberries out of my garden recently—June 13, to be exact. It wasn't Friday, so I guess it'll be all right.

Picking those berries brings to mind that that is the biggest advantage of a home garden—vegetables and fruits that are really fresh. You just don't realize what fresh stuff is unless you can eat it the same day that you pick it. The wife says that the peas are beginning to make shadows in the pods, so that's another reason I'll be thankful for a home garden.

Second best to your own stuff of course is the stuff that is Massachusetts grown. I notice that the vegetable growers, or market gardeners some folks call them, are making an extra effort this year to bring local products to the attention of the consumers. And I'm

heartily in favor of the idea. It certainly makes me rather sore to go to the store to buy stuff that looks nice but just lacks the old zip and flavor that local products have. And more and more I'm getting to the point where I save my money. In other words, I refrain from buying stuff shipped in from the South and save my money and buy a little extra native grown spinach, asparagus, cabbage, carrots, and what have you.

Take strawberries for instance. The peak season of Massachusetts berries will be the last week in June. Save your money and buy berries then for jams and jellies and strawberry short cake.

A couple of weeks ago I wrote about ants in the lawn. Another pest which is gradually making headway in Massachusetts and New England is the Japanese beetle. I have noticed that the public parks are making efforts to control them, but few individuals people do much. So here in brief are control measures that can be followed for this pest.

Lead arsenate can be applied to the lawn in early spring or early fall, at least that is the time preferred. The reason for applying in the spring and early fall is that the grubs are working near the surface, although it can be applied up to June or July I guess. The lead arsenate can be used dry or wet. When applied dry, apply five to ten pounds to 1,000 square feet. The lead arsenate should be mixed with sand or fertilizer or soil and applied in that manner. It should be thoroughly raked in and sprinkled, since the lead arsenate is poisonous to people as well as to the Japanese beetle grub.

If applied wet, they recommend one pound of lead arsenate to two gallons of water and this mixture should be applied at the rate of twenty gallons to 1,000 square feet.

When the beetles emerge the best recommendation is to use traps made especially for this purpose. These traps cost anywhere from forty cents to a dollar. They're metal affairs which screw on to ordinary canning jars. The traps are usually painted light green and white—green on the outside and white on the inside. Then in the trap they put an odorless substance which is usually composed of geraniol, neogenol, and phenyl ethyl alcohol, at the rates respectively of 10, 1, and 1/4 parts. Ordinary chemical supply houses sell this material.

These traps should be hung from an arm at least 25 feet from the nearest tree or shrub, and one trap is usually sufficient for an area 50 feet wide.

Since my comments recently on grass and its ability to crowd out weeds or to re-establish itself, some unknown friend sent me an essay entitled "Grass" written by John J. Ingalls. I am quoting parts of it for you since I really think it tells a very intriguing story and also a very true one.

"Grass is the forgiveness of nature, her constant benediction. Fields trampled with battles, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon grow green again

with grass and carnage is forgotten. . . .

"Forests decay, harvest perishes, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Bequeathed by the sullen hosts of winter it withdraws into the impregnable fortress of its subterranean vitality and emerges upon the first solicitations of spring."

"Its tenacious fibers hold the earth in its place and prevent its soluble components from washing into the sea."

"Unobtrusive and patient it has immortal vigor and aggression. Banished from the thoroughfare and the field, it abides its time to return and when vigilance is relaxed or the dynasty has perished it silently resumes the throne from which it has been expelled but which it never abdicates."

"It bears no blazonry of bloom to charm the senses with fragrance or splendor but its homely hue is more enchanting than the lily or the rose. It yields no fruit in air or earth, yet should its harvest fall for a single year famine would depopulate the world."

I thought you back yard gardeners would appreciate that. Landscape experts—and I agree with them—contend that the lawn is the foundation or should we say the most important part of the home grounds, and so it behooves us to make every effort to keep it well supplied with food.

You remember I mentioned the Japanese beetle. Well, the same treatment that I mentioned for the Japanese beetle of course can be used against the ordinary white grub and also against the so-called sod web worms. These caterpillars are dirty gray in color with regularly spaced brown spots.

Chinch bugs occasionally break out although not too frequently. These are little bugs about one-eighth of an inch long with black body and black and white wings. This bug is more common in the Middle West and other places than it is in New England. Finely ground tobacco dust with a nicotine content of about one per cent should be applied at the rate of 25 pounds to 1000 square feet of turf. You can mix it with fertilizer or lime or soil in order to facilitate distributing it.

### Know Massachusetts

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